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SUBJ: FORD-SUHARTO MEETING: JOINT COMMITTEE ON  
MILITARY NEEDS

REF: STATE 164068

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1. WE UNDERSTAND PROBLEMS IN IMPLEMENTING PROGRAM FOR  
INDONESIA FOLLOWING FORD-SUHARTO MEETING AND ARE TAKING  
NO ACTION AT THIS END PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

2. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE, HOWEVER, THAT SERIOUS POTENTIAL  
PROBLEM EXISTS IN POSSIBLY EXAGGERATED IDEAS AMONG LOWER  
OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC ABOUT THAT MAY FOLLOW AFTER CAMP  
DAVID. WE HAVE REPORTED PRESS COMMENTS ON FOLLOW-UP  
(JAKARTA 8558 AND 8615). IN ADDITION TO RUMORS REGARDING  
DESTROYERS MENTIONED IN JAKARTA 8485, RUMOR ALSO CIR-  
CULATING THAT US HAS AGREED EQUIP INDONESIA ENTIRELY  
FOR ITS COASTAL DEFENSE REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING SHIPS,  
RADAR AND SURVEILLANCE AIRCRAFT. RISK OF DISAPPOINTMENT  
MOUNTING WITH EASH SUCH RUMOR.

3. IN ADDITION, INDONESIANS ARE MOVING TO IMPLEMENT  
THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CAMP DAVID MEETINGS. I SAW  
GENERAL MURDANI JULY 17 WHO REFERRED TO HIS CONVERSATIONS  
WITH ELLSWORTH AT CAMP DAVID AND SAID HE IS MOVING TO

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SELECT TWO OFFICERS TO PROCEED TO MANILA LATER THIS

MONTH TO INSPECT DESIGNATED SHIPS. SECOND MISSION IS  
IN PROCESS OF BEING FORMED TO GO TO WASHINGTON AT LATER  
DATE TO DISCUSS REMAINDER OF EQUIPMENT.

4. ON BASIS HIS CONVERSATIONS AT CAMP DAVID AND SUB-  
SEQUENTLY WITH PRESIDENT, MURDANI WAS NOT AWARE OF  
PLANS FOR SETTING UP JOINT COMMITTEE TO SURVEY EQUIPMENT  
NEEDS.

5. BELIEVE FOREGOING SUGGESTS THAT EVEN IF WE CANNOT  
SPEAK IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT, WE SHOULD HAVE  
INSTRUCTIONS ENABLING US TO DISCUSS WASHINGTON'S UNDER-  
STANDING AND INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO IMMEDIATE CON-  
SULTATIONS AND VISIT BY INDONESIANS.  
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